BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of

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LOUIS M. MILLER, M.D.

Holder of License No. **23201** For the Practice of Medicine In the State of Arizona.

INVESTIGATION NO. 10299

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

INTRODUCTION

On November 14, 1997, Louis M. Miller, M.D., appeared before the Arizona Board of Medical Examiners (Board) for an informal interview. After due consideration of the facts and law applicable to this matter, the Board voted to issue the following findings of fact, conclusions of law and order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Louis D. Miller, M.D., is the holder of License No. 23201 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. Between November 1995 and July 1996, Dr. Miller performed multiple facial aesthetic surgeries on patient G.P. He took photographs in connection with the surgeries.

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4. Following the surgeries, Dr. Miller gave photographs and information about the patient's surgeries to the Yuma Daily Sun, a local Yuma newspaper, without the patient's knowledge or consent. The newspaper printed an article about Dr. Miller's cosmetic surgery practice on July 28, 1996, and included "before" and "after" photographs of G.P. provided by Dr. Miller. The caption under the photographs stated: "Yuma resident G.P. (above) [her full name was stated], 67, had an eye lift, lower face lift and laser resurfacing of wrinkles within the last year."

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over Dr.
 Miller.
- 2. The conduct and circumstances described above in paragraphs 2 through 4 constitute unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(25)(b) (intentional betrayal of a professional secret or intentional violation of a privileged communication except as either act may otherwise be required by law).

<u>ORDER</u>

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby ordered that Dr. Miller be issued a Letter of Reprimand.

RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REVIEW

The parties are hereby notified that they have the right to petition for a rehearing. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.09, as amended, the petition for rehearing must be filed with the Board's Executive Director within thirty (30) days after service of this Order and pursuant to A.A.C. R4-16-102, it must set forth legally sufficient reasons for granting a rehearing. Service of this Order is effective five (5) days after the date of mailing.

1	The parties are further notified that the filing of a petition for rehearing is required t	0
2	preserve any rights of appeal to the superior court that they may wish to pursue.	
3	DATED this 213 day of 4721 , 1999.	
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7	By CLAUDIA FOUTZ	
8	Executive Director	
9	MELISSA CORNELIUS Deputy Director	
10	ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this	
11	<u>217</u> day of <u>分元</u> , 1999 with:	
12	The Arizona Board of Medical Examiners 1651 East Morten, Suite 210	
13	Phoenix, Arizona 85020	
14	EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed by Certified Mail this [5] day of, 1999 to:	
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16	Louis M. Miller, M.D. 2435 S. Ave. A, Suite C	
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